



Need Workforce Assistance? Put Kentucky to Work First.

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Empowering Our People

Empowering residents to re-enter the workforce by providing training, re-employment services, job placement and employer recruitment activities at one of 12 career center hubs. More than 130,000 individuals have received career coaching and job placement services so far this year. (Kentucky Career Centers)

Kentucky Career Center

Increasing the Workforce

Increasing the workforce by nearly 125,000 by working with the federal government to require able-bodied Medicaid beneficiaries to participate in community engagement activities. These include education, job training, employment, caregiving or volunteering activities for at least 20 hours a week.

Preparing Communities

Certifying communities that document their achievement on graduation rates, community commitment, educational attainment, career readiness, registered apprenticeship and internet availability. Nearly 75 percent of all Kentucky counties are certified Work Ready or Work Ready in Progress.



THINK KENTUCKY

Cabinet for Economic Development



Kentucky Emphasizes Workforce Development

Workforce Development

Kentucky is in the midst of a workforce development revolution, working with businesses to increase the labor force and ensure Kentucky provides the most highly skills and trained workforce in the nation.

HERE ARE EXAMPLES OF THE PROGRESS WE ARE MAKING:

Increased Funding

Providing employers with more training funds to develop new and existing employees. Currently, more than 200 employers have grants and tax credits worth over \$12.6 million that are training nearly 25,000 employees.



Improving Training Facilities

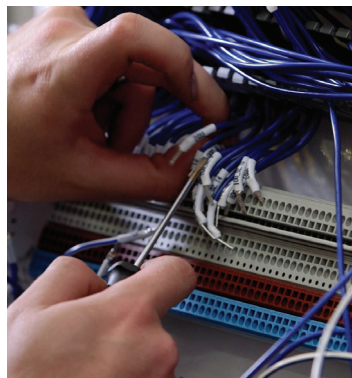
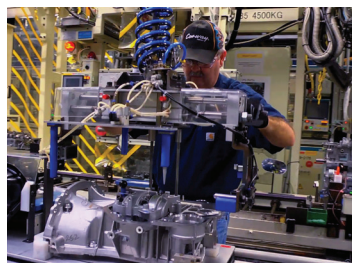
New and improved training facilities are coming online statewide, thanks to more than \$200 million in additional funding. Nearly 30,000 additional workers will receive training each year.

Empowering Apprentices

Empowering apprentices through a registered apprenticeship model, combining on-the-job learning with related technical instruction. Apprentices are currently being trained in more than 100 occupations.

Encouraging Manufacturing Careers

Increasing manufacturing careers through an innovative work/study program called KY FAME. Students split their week between college courses and on-the-job training in a high-tech manufacturing operation. After 18 months, students receive an advanced manufacturing technician (AMT) certification and can begin work or continue college.



Incenting Students

Incenting students to enter some 60 high-demand occupations by providing scholarships in the state's top five high-demand workforce sectors.



Offering Dual Credit Scholarships

Providing tuition for high school juniors and seniors to take courses that earn high school and college credit simultaneously. In three years, the rate of enrollment for dual credit courses has increased 92 percent and the successful completion rate stands at 95 percent.

Providing Second Chances

Supporting job placement assistance to non-violent offenders after they have completed their sentence to allow them to re-enter the workforce, thus lowering the state's rate of recidivism and saving taxpayer money. Assistance includes housing, transportation and substance abuse treatment. In addition, certain low-level felons can expunge their records once they have completed their sentences.

Equipping Offenders with Trade Skills

Offering apprenticeship programs for adult and juvenile offenders while incarcerated to give them nationally recognized journeyman credentials in skilled trades upon their release.